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In re application of: Joshua D. Rabinowitz, et al.) Examiner: M. Haghigatian
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For: DELIVERY OF MUSCLE RELAXANTS)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant calls the Examiner's attention to the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, copies of required documents enclosed, which may be material to examination of the above identified application.

TIME OF TRANSMITTAL

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(c). This Statement is filed after three months from the filing date of the national application, after three months from the date of entry into national stage under 37 CFR § 1.491, after the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or after the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114, but before the mailing date of any of:

- (a) a final action under 37 CFR § 1.113;
- (b) a notice of allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311; or
- (c) an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

This Statement is accompanied by a check for \$180 in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97(c) and 1.17(p). The undersigned hereby authorizes the charging of any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 19-5117.

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Claim	Examples of Support in the Specification
Claim 36	Paragraph 0025
Claim 37	As recited above for Claim 35
Claim 38	Paragraph 0017
Claim 39	Paragraph 0017
Claim 40	Paragraph 0096
Claim 41	Paragraph 0020
Claim 42	Paragraph 0021
Claim 43	Paragraph 0022
Claim 44	Paragraph 0023
Claim 45	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0020, 0027
Claim 46	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0021, 0027
Claim 47	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0022, 0027
Claim 48	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0023, 0027
Claim 49	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0020, 0027
Claim 50	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0021, 0027
Claim 51	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0022, 0027
Claim 52	As recited above for Claim 35 and Paragraph 0015, 0017, 0023, 0027

The amendments to the claims do not introduce new matter. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to the claims put the case in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendments to the claims and allow all amended claims.

Double Patenting

Claims 1-24 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patent as being unpatentable over claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,797,259 B2, as these claims are “either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claims.” Office Action at 2-3.

Claims 1-12 were provisionally rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of copending Application Nos. 10/813,722 and 10/718,982. *Id.* at 3-4.

Applicants have filed with this response Terminal Disclaimers with regard to U.S. Patent No. 6,797,259 B2 and copending Application Nos. 10/813,722 and 10/718,982. Applicants believe that this addresses the Examiner’s concerns and respectfully request reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of all rejections, and allowance of the application in view of these actions and remarks.

Conclusion

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner’s careful and thorough review of the application and submit that the Examiner’s concerns have been addressed by the amendments and remarks above. The Applicants accordingly request the Examiner to withdraw all rejections and allow the application. In the event the Examiner believes a telephonic discussion would expedite allowance or help to resolve outstanding issues, prosecution of the application, then the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

This constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and an authorization to charge all fees therefore to deposit account No. 19-5117, if not otherwise specifically requested. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charge of any fees created by the filing of this document or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to be charged to deposit account No. 19-5117.

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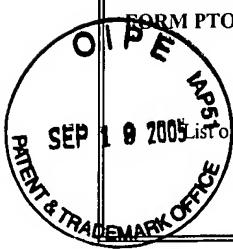
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